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OBJUST THE THE USE OF THIOAMIDE OXAZOLIDINONES FOR THE

TREATMENT OF BONE RESORPTION AND OSTEOPOROSIS

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SUBMISSION ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AMENDMENTS AND REPLY

Sir:

This is a submission accompanying a request for continued examination. This submission consists of various amendments to the claims and a reply to the outstanding rejection in this application. A petition for a one-month extension of time is enclosed.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with marking to show changes made."

AMENDMENTS

Amend claims 1 and 7 to read as follows:

1. (amended) A method of treating or preventing osteoporosis, bone resorption, or other bone disease characterized by the need to enhance bone formation in a vertebrate mammal in need thereof comprising the administering to the vertebrate mammal an effective amount of a compound of formula I